

Federal Clerk Admits Death Notes to Women

War Department Employee 18 Years, and Ex-Valet of Gen. Edwards, Author of Many Black Hand Letters

U. S. Stationery Gave Clew

Freed to Return to Sick Wife; Demanded Large Sums of Capital Society Leaders

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—George E. Long, a clerk in the Bureau of Insular Affairs of the War Department since 1904, confessed to-day, according to the police, to the authorship of Black Hand letters recently received by Mrs. Henry White, wife of the former Ambassador to France, and by several women prominent in Washington society. The letters demanded sums ranging from \$15,000 to \$25,000 and threatened death if the money was not forthcoming.

Long was taken into custody after Department of Justice agents were said to have traced the letters to him by a peculiarity in the handwriting and by a watermark used in War Department stationery. He made his alleged confession after more than two years of questioning at police headquarters by Inspector Grant, but then was permitted to return to his home, where his wife is seriously ill. Long is forty years of age and has three children.

No Charge Preferred

No charge was preferred against him, as Inspector Grant said, "we know we can get him when we want him, and we thought it better to let him go home to care for his wife, who is very ill, and his three children."

Besides Mrs. White, according to the police, the threatening letters were received by Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh, widow of the "Copper King" of Colorado; Mrs. Christian Hauge, widow of the former Norwegian Minister; Mrs. Mary Scott Townsend and Mrs. Stephen B. Clark, widow of former Senator B. Clark.

According to the police, Long served as valet to Major General Clarence R. Edwards when he was chief of the Insular Bureau and had traveled around the world with his employer. In his confession Inspector Grant announced that Long said:

"I don't know why I wrote the letters. I may have got my idea from reading the Gatti case (a recent Black Hand case), but I was anxious to see the children of the city provided for, and I thought these rich people might help."

He declared, however, the Inspector said, that he never went to the places where he had directed the money to be delivered, and would not have touched it. One of the first things Long did after confessing, it was said, was to telephone his wife and ask her to tell General Edwards, who is now detained in Boston.

Police at Work Several Weeks

Although the case only came to light yesterday, operations of the Department of Justice, under Chief William J. Burns, and the local detective force, under Inspector Grant, have been working on it for several weeks. Detectives had placed packages at each place where the money demanded was supposed to be deposited, but no one ever appeared, and the first clew the police received was through Mr. Whitel butler, one Stevens, who, the police say, Long declared he knew well.

A few days ago, it was said, Long went to see Stevens at the White House, and at the door was stopped by four men, who, he said, told him that he had better not enter, as there was danger. He is said to have told Stevens this when he got inside, on the theory, the police believe, that it would impress upon him the seriousness of the letters Mr. White had received. Developing this line, detectives yesterday searched Long's desk in the munitions building and found writing paper and envelopes corresponding to those used for some of the letters.

Certain they had found their man, detectives went to Long's home to-day and took him into custody. He had not been at work for three days. The police said to-night none of those who had received the letters had shown a disposition to press the case against Long, and that unless they did no complaint would be lodged against him.

Postmaster General to Succeed Hays To Be Named Tuesday

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Announcement of the new Postmaster General to succeed Will H. Hays, whose resignation will become effective on March 4, will be made next Tuesday, it was said to-day at the White House.

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A loose fitting straight line model—pictured—that attains grace and acquires taste by trimmings of white linen tabs and hand croch buttons. Colors: orchid, gold, leather, Copenhagen and rose. Sizes 6 to 14 years.

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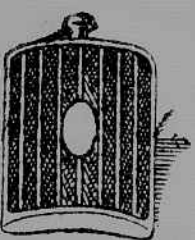
Clearance of Winter Suits for Women and Misses

Formerly sold up to 45.00

At 10.00, 20.00 and 25.00

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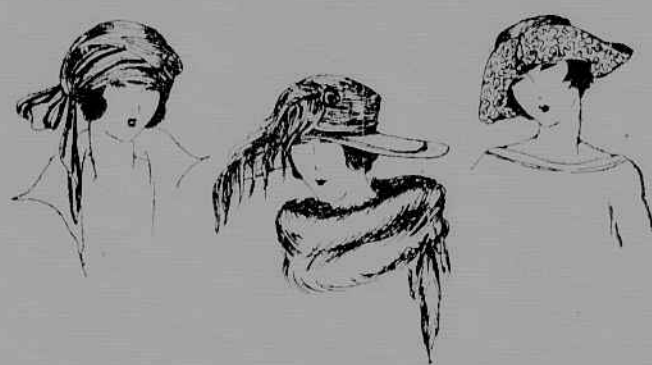
—they fit one's hip pocket perfectly, without bulging. Each holds about one pint, and is fitted with a special non-leak cap, to preserve its precious contents. In engine turned design, with space for monogram. Street Floor

Comfort and Flapper Smartness Meet in These

College Sports Sandals at 5.00



They keep pace with the fashion of Youth by being low-heeled, round toed and sandalized, with the further adornment of a cut out design in the toe. In patent leather for dress wear, in tan calfskin for sturdy wear. Sizes 2½ to 8. Second Floor



We Will Present Saturday an Entirely New and Wholly Charming Collection of

5.95 Wonder Hats

—that top the mode—and one's costume—with smartness!

Advance Spring styles—every one of them—fresh from their tissue wrappings and presented Saturday for your approval.

Large hats or small—pokes, turbans, off-the-face styles—short backs, mushrooms and sailors, developed in hair and straw cloths, Milans and fancy silk braids in bright or subdued shades. Flowers are used extensively, their charm rivalled by feather novelties, ribbon trimmings, embroidery, quills and ornaments. Three styles pictured. Third Floor

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Hudson Seal Coats, Skunk Collar and Cuffs, 40-inches long, formerly 395.00, now 285.00

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Hudson Seal Coats, with Skunk Collar and Cuffs (for stout women), formerly 550.00, now 445.00

Mole Capes and Wraps, formerly 425.00, now 275.00

Mole Sports Coats, formerly 285.00, now 225.00

Persian Coats, Skunk Collar and Cuffs, 45-inches long, formerly 495.00, now 295.00

Raccoon Coats, 40-inches long, formerly 325.00, now 225.00

Near Seal Coats, Skunk Collar and Cuffs, 40-inches long, formerly 225.00, now 150.00

Near Seal Coats, 36 and 40-inches long, with contrasting fur or self trimmed, formerly 125.00 and 165.00, now 99.50

Natural Muskrat Sports Coats, 40-inches long, formerly 165.00, now 115.00

Furs listed as Hudson Seal are Seal-dyed Muskrat.

Furs listed as Near Seal are Seal-dyed Cooney.



Solid Green Gold Knives at 6.95

—exquisitely designed, with oval, square and diamond shaped shields—and with two blades.



500 Solid Gold Cornelian Cameos at 4.50

—that are unusually beautiful in design and workmanship. The engraved frame is either oval or octagon in shape. Street Floor

New Frocks for Misses

that feature distinctive lines and very fine materials

at 25.00

One is a new smart frock of navy Poirer twill that develops the cape idea of twill over a waist and sleeves of henna or gray canton crepe, and decorates the edge of the cape with dainty embroidery.

Another Frock of Navy Spiral Crepe

is the essence of Youth and simplicity—straight line, a narrow tie-sash, beautifully tailored vest pocket lined with a contrasting shade. Sizes 14 to 18 years.

Second Floor



Imported Cigarette Cases

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A case that boasts an attractive exterior, and an ability to carry a complete pack of Fatimas or similar-sized packs. Made of imported leather in green, navy and black. Street Floor



Saturday—A Special Sale of

Frocks for Women

—of Canton Crepe, Crepe de Chine and Tricotine—

At 25.00

The frock pictured places its faith in beads—and wisely, too—for the skirt is almost covered with them, and the blouse adorns its neckline, sleeves and sides with clever bead work. Obtainable in Canton Crepe, navy, black, henna and brown.

Another model is in Crepe de Chine in long waisted effect, with fine tucking its only trimming. In navy, black, brown and henna. Sizes 36 to 44.

Poirer Twill, Tricotine and Serge Frocks, some hand embroidered, others trimmed with silk braid. In navy and black. Sizes 36 to 46.

Special 19.75

Fourth Floor



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Coats that were 55.00	Reduced to 39.50
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Coats that were 110.00	Reduced to 65.00
Coats that were 145.00	Reduced to 85.00

Fabrics and models are those that have found favor this season—many are fur collared as well.

New Spring Top Coats for Women at 39.50

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